GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:837
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CONSUMER WELFARE FUND
Reddy Shri Karunakara G.

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) the total corpus of Consumer Welfare Fund currently available as on December 31, 2006;

(b) the details regarding utilization of the Consumer Welfare Fund during the last three years, year-wise;

(c) whether the Government proposes to increase the ceiling on allocation of grants to consumer organizations;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether the Government is considering any proposal to simplify the procedure for allocation of grant to consumer organizations from the said fund; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI TASLIMUDDIN)

(a) The total corpus of Consumer Welfare Fund currently available as on 31 December,2006 is Rs.96,32,43,000/-

(b) : The details regarding utilization of the Consumer Welfare Fund during the last three years, year-wise is as under:

Year	Utilisation of the Consumer Welfare Fund
2003-04	Rs.4,18,53,000/-
2004-05	Rs.17,42,95,000/-
2005-06	Rs.8,51,14,000/-

(c) to (f): No Sir. However, State/ Union Territories have been asked to set up Consumer Welfare Fund for undertaking consumer welfare activities within respective States/UTs.